His Reasons for Fighting the Battle of Fredericksburg.

slight wounds than usual, 1,632 only being treated

I am glad to represent the army at the present time in good condition.

Thanking the Government for that entire support

and confidence which I have always received from

I remain, General, very respectfully. Maj. Gen. Comd'g Army of the Poto

Scouting Operations on the Bight of the

Army. Special Dispatch to The N. Y. Tribune.

Washington, Monday, Dec. 22, 1362.
We have received the following from The quit

TRIBUNE's special correspondent: STAFFORD COURT HOLES, Manday, Dec. 22, 1862.

Sconting parties have visited Brantaville, Catalett's Station, and down to the Rappahannock, at Kellysville, without meeting any bodies of Rebel cavalry in the intervening country. At Kellysville, some firing across the river took place with Rebel pickets, without barm to either party. Nothing from the

The Returns of Milled, Wounded, and Mississippi, and known as Barkedale's Brigade. Missing-Embalming the Dead-How the Officers Suffered-How we Took so many Prisoners-The Army Rendy to Move Again-False Statements about the Conduct of the Pennsylvania Re-BCFVCs.

From Our Special Correspondent.

BEADQUARTERS RIGHT GRAND DIVISION. The official returns of killed, wounded, and miss ing are nearly in. In the battle of Saturday, we lost no prisoners, and but very few are missing. Between three and four hundred in the entire army stole away during the fight and the night following, but nearly all of them were subjects for the hospital, and most of them have since been found bere. The bedies of nearly all the commissioned officers, and many of the non-commissioned, whose friends are able to bear the expense, are being embaimed beneath tents near the railroad depot, exected for the purpose. Almost the first object that arrests the attention of the visitors to the army of the Potomac, who are hastening here to see their

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A FRANK AND MALLY STATEMENT.

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more decisive than if we had crossed at the places first selected. As it was, we came very near success.

Failing in accomplishing the main object, we remained in order of battle two days—long enough to decide that the enemy would not come out of his strongholds to fight us with his infantry—after which we recressed to this side of the river unmolested, without the loss of men or property.

As the day broke our long lines of troops were seen marching to their different positions as if going an parade. Not the least demoralization or disorganization existed.

To the brave officers and soldlers who accomplished the feat of thus recrossing the river in the face of the enemy, I owe everything.

For the failure in the attack I am responsible, as the extreme gallantry, courage and endurance shown by them was never exceeded, and would be accomplished the points had it have recruised.

South Mountain to Fredericksburg are now but corporals' guards, and it is literally true that some of them are so small that they have been assigned to them are so small that they have been assigned to them are so small that they have been assigned to them are so small that they have been assigned to them are so small that they have been assigned to them are so small that they have been assigned to them are so small that they have been assigned to them are so small that they have been assigned to them are so small that they have been assigned to them are so small that they have been assigned to them are so small that they have been assigned to them are so small that they have been assigned to them are so small that they have been assigned to the ment are so small that they have been assigned to the ment are so small that they have been assigned to the ment are so small that they have been assigned to the ment are so small that they have been assigned to the been assigned to the ment are so small that the headquarters. While at the headquarters of Gen. Mende, who commands McCall's cloud division of Gen. Mende, the field downded in the hea

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To the families and friends of the dead I can only offer my neartfelt sympathics, but for the wounded I can offer my neartfelt sympathics, but for the wounded I can offer my energe that he learned, when he are the command, and sent to Gen. Our loss in killed is Col. Gray of the 96th New-York Volunteers, who fell at the head of his region the validation. I was not upon the fer during the beautiful to a my the probability of the New-York Volunteers, who fell at the head of his region the validation in a double of the during the won those laurely of the Sub-Rebels in the collection of the during the probability of the New-York Volunteers, who fell at the head of his region the validation of the during the collection of the fell during the collection of the fell d

no resistance was intended. Accounts, however, concur in stating that the Rebels broke and cowardly ran when pressed by the bayonets of the brave Unionists. It has been stated, too, that there were but a few Rebel sharpehooters stationed in the city. How true this statement is may be seen by the following table made up from an official list of the wounded only, published by The Richmond Enquirer:

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It will be seen that there were 42 regiments sto tioned in Fredericksburg to resist the crossing of the Union forces. But of them all the only ones which stood with a creditable show of bravery were from

THE WAR IN THE SOUTH-WEST.

The Capture of Trenton by the Rebels Col. Hawkins's 5th Ohio Cavalry Budly Cut Up at Lexington-Evacua- rain and unprovided for.

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Carro, Monday, Dec. 22, 1862.

An eye witness of the taking of Trenton says that Col. Fry was in command of 200 men, half sick, the main part of the garrison having previously been sent to Jackson, as that place anticipated a Robel attack. It was, however, only a feint to draw the troops from Trenton.

When Col. Fry heard of the Rabel approach to the latter place, he made breastworks of cotton bales around the depot. The Rebels attacked him with three pieces of artillery. Thirty rounds were fired,

West Creek, the bridges over which had been destroyed by the Rebels.

At 11 o'clock on the following morning the 9th New-Jersey Volunteers made a detour through the woods, crossing South-West Creek at a point above, and seized the Rebel battery stationed in the middle of the road, on the opposite side of the stream, consisting of eleven guns. Capt. Chessney of Company A, was the first to reach the Rebel guns. At about dask the Rebels advanced some 2,000 strong, and made another stand four miles this side of Kinston. The 9th New-Jersey Volunteers, with Morrison's battery, were sent forward to feel their position, when a brisk engagement cusued, lasting for some thirty minutes. The Rebels again fell back. Our men then bivouseked for the night on the battlefield.

On Sunday morning. Dec. 14, the main body of the Union forces reached the scene of the conflict.

At 9 o'clock, our advance, the 9th New-Jarrey Volunteers, with Morrison's Battery, moved briskly forward about a mile further, when a general engagement with the Rebels, 7,000 strong, commenced, continuing from 101 a. m. until 2 p. m., when the Rebels, who were heavily pressed, retreated over the long bridge across the Neuse River, and our army victoriously surgest Kinston.

The Richmond Dispatch says:

Tankee wonded receiving the same care and enjoying like kind treatment with our own unfortunate defenders."

The Dispatch also gives an account of the funeral of Major-Gen. Gregg of South Carolina "who fell in the conflict at Fredericksburg."

A Text

Extracts from Richmond Papers-Arrival of Union Prisoners at Richmond-Henry Biring near Kinston-Attack on Petersburg Anticipated.

It will be seen from the Richmond newspaper ac counts of the battle of Fredericksburg, that while Gen. Lee in his official report places their loss at 1,800 killed and wounded, the same papers containing it say that up to Monday 2,000 Confederate wounded had arrived in Richmond, and mentions many more at Fredereckeburg depot drenched with

The Richmond Examiner of the 18th save:

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reference to the condition of the road from Warrenadvance of the enemy was strongly contested. Gen.
Evans will wait for redinforcements, and will then
probably drive the invaders back to Newbern.
Goupenso, N. C., Dec. 15, 1982.
The report of artillery has been heard in the direction of the lines since the last dispatch.
Nawmann, N. C., Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1862—3 p.m.
On the 11th inst., Major-Gen. Foster left Newbern with an sequate and well appointed force and
proceeded toward Goldsboro'.
An inconsiderable skirmish occurred at Trenton at
noon on Friday in which Capt. Moshell's company,
of the 3d New-York Cavalry, charged upon and put
to flight a body of Rebel Cavalry, and two companies of infantry.
The advance shortly afterward reached SouthWest Creek, the bridges over which had been destroyed by the Rebels.
At 11 o'clock on the following morning the 9th
Supplies are needed for the kitchen at Bedice's Island, where

ject to assist all sick and wonder solders without regard to the place of their nativity, appeals to benevolent citizens for aid. The Association is young, and its funds are tosufficient. Supplies are needed for the kitchen at Bedioe's Island, where the trants of large numbers of soldlers are delly relieved, and money, clothing, stores, tobacco, paper, red or gray flamel shirts, drawers, socks, and woolen comforters, are especially needed. Contributions may be sent to the rooms of the Asectation, No. 176 Fulton street, and will be duly acknowl-

Mrs. THOS. J. ATWOOD, Mrs. THOMAS COCK, Mrs. JOHN H. GRISCOM, Mrs. ROBT. HAYDOCK.

Col. Marshall of the Thirteenth New-York Volunteers.

During the flerce combat on the Fredericksburg

side of the Rappahannock a week ago, Col. Marshell of the 13th New-York Volunteers, was dangerously wounded, and it feared that he will not recover.

holding a captain's commission in the 6th Infantry, a rogi ment which gained itself the name of "The Bully Sixth" for the part it took to the battles of Controres, Churubusco, and El Moilno del Roy, in Mexico, and which has fully up-He totaed his regiment on the frontiers soon after I will add here that the movement was made earlier than you expected, and after the President, Becretary and yourself requested me not to be in haste, for the reason that we were supplied much some boner by the different staff departments than was anticipated when I last saw you.

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It is well known that the Rebels made but slight resistance to the crossing of the Rappahannock by our forces, and the general impression has been that no resistance was intended. Accounts has been that no resistance was intended. Accounts has been that no resistance was intended. Accounts here to the small-pox now prevails there as an epidemic. to to feared, while leading his men into action in the greaf

> THE PUNERAL OF LIEUT. BIRMINGHAM .-- The officers of the 69th Regiment N. Y. S. N. G. are requested by Col. Bagley to assemble at their Armory, Essex Market, in fatigue, without side-arms, to-day at 12 m., for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late Lieut. Birmingham of Mongher's Irish Brigade. The deceased fell at the late bettle of Freder-

A Test Stovz .- We noticed in one of the tents n the Park the other day, a Yankee invention which promises comfort to the brave soldiers who which is so arranged that the whole including pipe which may be drawn out and closed like a telescope) an be packed in a box 10 or 12 inches equ heat any tent in the service.

From San Franncisco.

Arrived, B. F. Herris from New York.
Sailed, steamer Herram for Panema, with 550 persengers by Vonera, on Saturday, took 100 persengers and V21 bates o col.

It has been raining fast for two days, thoroughly aturating the ground for the first time this year.

Arrangements have been completed between the
Central Pacific Railroad and San Jose Railroad, by Central Pacific Railroad and San Jose Railroad, by which the opposing interests have been harmonical for building the Pacific Railroad from San Francisco via San Jose, Stockton, Secramento, Placer and Nevada Counties, and via Trucko Pass to the eastern boundary of the State.

Great confidence is felt in the early completion of the work to Washoe, over a route furnishing enough local business to pay good dividends.

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State Department as the salvation of the country To the Associated Press.

Washington, Monday, Dec. 22, 1962 firmly refused to withdraw it if Mr. Seward retired Daniel M. Whitney, Green Bay, Wis.; Emerson to accept the resignation of either. To Mr. Seward he said that, although his feelings and interests perhaps dictated his withdrawal from the Cabinet at this juncture, patriotism required him to stay and this juncture, patriotism required him to stay and help him through his administration; and inasmuch as his persistence in leaving would deprive him of the services of a Secretary of the Treasury on whom he leaned, he was doubly bound to reconsider his determination. It is said that the President then, with pleasant imperiousness, ordered both of the Secretaries to return to their Departments and resame their portfolios, and they both pleasantly

There is sufficient truth in the detailed history of recent events, which one of your cotemporaries published this morning, in the form of a letter from Washington, to show at least, that there has been ome violation of confidence somewhere. To point out all the inaccuracies of the letter in question, or of those printed in other New-York journals, would be a thankless task. Suffice it to say, that in whatever points they conflict with the statements forwarded you by letter or by telegraph, and printed in to-day's TRIBUNE, in respect to what passed in bill. caucus or at the White House, they are incorrect, and that the tone in which they are written is calculated to convey an erroneous impression.

The Republican Senators were as we have previpartial reconstruction" of the Cabinet, by which printing \$20,000,000 for the purpose. a large majority, and eight out of nine members of the Committee, the dissentient being Mr. Harris, meant to intimate an opinion that Secretary Seward he was considered a serious obstacle to the success- ware. ful prosecution of the war. The caucus arrived at its conclusion after deliberation and discussion. The Committee, whose names we have already printed, men therefore suffered considerably. In Committee, whose names we have already printed, 1859, an expedition started from Fort California, to punish the Indians who had the Senate, and was hended by Senator Collamer, never classed as a radical. The paper which be the other members of the Committee followed, were characterized by the utmost kindness and respect. They approached the painful duty, which in their judgment the exigencies of the times and the voice of the loyal people demanded at their hands, in a spirit not of dictation but of friendliness toward the Chief Magistrate of the nation, whom they had helped Senate to-day for confirmation. These were apto instal and were determined to support. This was pointed during the recess of Congress. the spirit of the caucus as well as of the Committee. What course the Republican Senators will take, now that Secretaries Seward and Chase have withdrawn their resignations, we have no means of knowing. It is not becoming that we publish the rumors in regard to them. But it is significant that all in Washnoton save Rebel sympathizers look to the Scoute for action that shall be at once wise and brave, and comport with the diguity and the rights of the repreentatives of States. THE BANES EXPEDITION TRANSPORTATION.

Senators Grimes, Morrill, and Kennedy are the Committee appointed to look into the facts conthe chartering of transports for the The President Refuses to Accept their Renected with Banks Expedition. The Government has information going to show that one of the transports of this expedition was run ashore upon a reef near Turtle Bays in broad daylight, and under other circumstances tending to show an intention to wreck her.
THE DEFENCES OF THE LAKES AND EXLARGE-MENT OF CANALS,

At a meeting at the residence of Representative Arnold, of Illinois, on Saturday night, called to conare risking their lives during these cold Winter days sider the pending bills before Congress for the deand nights in order to save the life of the Nation. fences of the lakes, and the enlargement of the Eric We refer to a small portable cast-iron tent stove Canal looks and the Michigan and Illinois Canal, the Senators from Wisconsin and Rinois, many from New-England and numerous members from the are East and West were present. about Sinches deep. The stove weighs about Chicago, and S. B. Ruggles, of New-York, and Mr. 20 pounds, can be put up or taken down in five Arneld made speeches which predictorally confirmed minutes, and with very little fuel will comfertably the growing sentiment in favor of these National

to the Senate, which has been referred to the Select are Gap. He stated that the bulk of Gen. Committee appointed to investigate the chartering of McD. well's army was encamped but a short dis-

and was built of the best material, with frame, enemy for a day or so, and atterly deranged his planking, and festening equal to a gunbeat; that movements. He also charged upon Gen. McDowell her engines and machinery were entirely new, and a want of attention to the position of his (Siger's) were made and put in by C. H. Delamater of New-corps, with which McDowell was at that time co-York; that immediately on her completion operating, and a want of decision in bringing ble the beat was taken into the Government troops into action at the battle of Manassas

service as a transport, and employed in the Chesapeake during the Peninsular cam paign, was purchased by Mesers. Hubbell & Co. the Chesapeake during the Peninsu on her return for the China trade, after a thorough examination of her everyth and capacity for a sec-voyage of ten to twelve thousand miles in the Win-ter senson. That the was to have been sent to Chine this month, had not the exigencies of the Banks Expedition led to her employment, and that the accident which obliged her to put into Port Royal was a breakage of the rock shaft of her engine.

THE CASE OF GEN. PORTER The evidence in the case of Major-Gen. Fits John Porter is now nearly all in. The Commission will take a recess before hearing the Judge-Advocate and ounsel for the accused.

THE CASE OF J. C. G. KENNEDY. Representative Wilson of Iown offered a resolu tion to-day, to the introduction of which objections were raised on the Pro-Slavery side of the House, inquiring whether the author of a letter printed in THE TRIBUNE of Saturday, and signed J. C. G. Kennedy, supposed to be the Superintendent of the Census Bureau, still holds office under the Govern-

PARSON BROWNLOW IN SERVICE. Parson Brownlow has been appointed Special

Agent of the Treasury Department. He will exerise a general supervision along the border. DEATHS OF SOLDIERS IN HOSPITAL. The following deaths have occurred in the Wash-

Banks Expedition Transports.

Left Frames, 19 of the Lakes, and Canal Enlargements.

Case of the "Thames," of the Banks Expedition.

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ETURN of Messers. Seward AND CHASE

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POSTMASTERS NOMINATED. Among the recent nominations for Postmasters the following: Nathaniel Low, at Dover, N. H.; Hall, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; Daniel Kellogg, jr., Brat-Issue Baker, Princeton, N. J.; Harvey Palmer, Niles, Mich.

THE VESSELS IN THE BANKS EXPEDITION. A communication was sent to the Senate to-day from the War Department, in answer to a resoluti of inquiry relative to chartering certain worthles ships for the Banks Expedition, in which it is stated that the hulls of the steamers Thames and Nisgars were inspected by an official designated by Commodore Van Brunt; the engines by ex-Chief-Engineer Haswell, designated for that purpose by Gen. Banks. Accompanying is an indiguant protest against the condemnation of the Thames, by her owners, Everett

Storrs, Taylor & Hubbell. THE PROTEST OF THE TORIES. The protest against the passage of the bill to in-demnify the President and others for certain arrests under the suspension of the privilege of the habeas corpus, etc., was drawn by Representative Pendle-ton, and those who signed it had voted against the

THE EMANCIPATION BULL. The bill agreed upon by the House Select Comintroduced by Representative Noell of Missouri for onely asserted, practically unanimous in favor of a facilitating emancipation in that State and appro-

REWARD FOR DESERTERS. The Navy Department offers a reward of \$100 for Michael Reardon of New-York, Acttng Assistant ought to be among the retiring ministers, not be- Engineer, who deserted from the Monticelle, and \$50 cause he was personally objectionable, but because for Jereminh Regan, who deserted from the Dela

> NAVAL ORDER.
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> Acting Assistant Surgeon Charles S. Eastwood base been ordered to the ship Shepherd Kuspp. SHOCKING STATE OF AFFAIRS IN THE CHERO-KEE NATION. Recent information from the Cherokee Nation dis-

> closes a shocking state of affines there. The loyal

the Government severed and a new one organized by the Corfederate party, which is in the misority. NOMINATIONS OF ASSESSORS AND COLLECTORS. Several hundred nominations of Assessors and Collectors under the tax law, were sent to the

THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR CARING FOR THE WOUNDED. The thoughtful provision on the part of Medical

Director Letterman for the removal from the field of batt'e and the subsequent care in the temporary hospitals of the wounded, rendered far less necessary ban heretofore supplementary assistance. The records of facts of both surgical and medical characer respecting the wounded are unusually complete, and will afford valuable data for statistical re

THE RESIGNATIONS OF SECRE. TARY SEWARD AND CHASE.

eiguations and Requests them to Mic-MARINOTON, Monday, Dec. 22, 1862.
The President has acknowledged the reception of

the resignations of the Secretary of State, Mr. Soward, and the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Chase, and has informed them that after due deliberation he has come to the conclusion that the cceptance of their resignations would be " incompatible with the public welfare."

The President has, therefore, requested both Mr. Seward and Mr. Chase to recume their respective functions as Secretary of State and Secretary of the

The two Secretaries have accordingly resumed their places as Heads of their repective Departments.

The McDowell Coart of Inquiry. Wannington, Monday, Dec 22, 1862. In the McDowell Court of Inquiry to-day, Gen.

Secretary Smith was confirmed as District Judge examination into the nature of the charges, which Indiana to day. The name of his successor will be had preferred against McDowell last Saturday. probably be sent into the Senate at once. It is sup- Ho did not mean to impeach the latter's loyalty, but osed that Assistant Secretary Upshur will be pro-moted. to point out, though unwillingly, the occa-sions when Gen. McDowell had, in his judg-Mears. Hebbel Everett & Russell Stargle, owners of the steamer Thames, have transmitted a letter vessels for the Banks expedition.

The letter states that the Thames is a new steam vessel of 644 tens; that she was launched last Spring, 10,000 men. These might have easily retarded the